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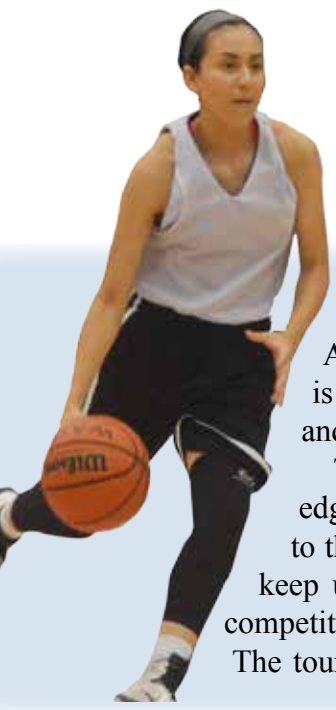

Basketball invitational, a slam-dunk

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

The first Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' All-Native Basketball Invitational Tournament is touted as a huge success by coaches, players and fans.

The fast paced games kept spectators on the edge of their seats, as teams battled their way to the finals. Even the flurry of tweets could not keep up with the back and forth scores and tight competition during games.

The tournament was held June 12-14, hosted by the R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program. It was the first of its kind for the C&A tribes.

A total of 39 teams from across the United States traveled to Oklahoma to compete, coming from as far away as Florida, Minnesota, South Dakota, Arizona and Nebraska.

Teams competed within four different divisions, high school boys, high school girls, 7/8th grade boys and 7/8th grade girls. Pool play games were held at the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Wellness Center in Weatherford, Okla., and

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American Indian Cultural Center on horizon of completion

By Rosemary Stephens Editor-in Chief

It's coming.

After years of failed attempts through state legislation to fund the completion of the American Indian Cultural Center (AICC), the solution may be just a step away.

House Bill 2237, recently introduced, states that the AICC project will go to Oklahoma City.

Blake Wade, Native American Cultural and Education Authority (NACEA), chief executive officer sees this move as a win-win for everyone.

"We are particularly excited about going to Oklahoma City because we finally get out of the political arena with the state and we can get going and start finishing the American Cultural Center as a part of Oklahoma City," Wade said.

He said he feels extremely good about Oklahoma City accepting this plan because now the opportunity to have some control over the center, to run it and manage it for the city, through a foundation they already had in place, is as it should be.

Right: Though not clear when the American Indian Cultural Center (AIIC) will be complete, one group didn't let that stop them from hosting their 15th annual DeadCenter Film Festival inside the center on June 10, 2015. (Photo by John L. Roberts, AIIC Security)

The AICC would be placed into a trust, similar to the Airport Trust, State Fair Board Trust and Zoo Trust, then the city would turn around and contract with the cultural center to manage and run the facility.

The idea of an American Indian Cultural Center goes back 20-25 years, with every governor as far back as Henry Bellman wanting to do something like this Wade said. What he wonders is why, after Price Waterhouse conducted a study and wrote that this was the most important project the state of Oklahoma could ever do, it took 18-20 years to start and still not be finished.

Wade was appointed as NACEA Chief Executive Officer, developing the American Indian Cultural Center and Museum and the American Indian Cultural Foundation on Dec. 1, 2011. After being appointed, Oklahoma Governor, Mary Fallin told Wade, "what has gone wrong was there's no tribal funds, the city of Oklahoma City hasn't given any money to it and the public, so what I am saying to you is you go out and raise $40 million from those sectors, than the state will match that 40 and

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Men getting hooked on health

By Shaida Tabrizi, Reporter

There is a common idea that men don't take care of their health. Whether because they're too busy caring for the needs of their family, confident in their own assessment of their health or simply unwilling to make an appointment, across the nation men are not taking advantage of medical services.

In fact, the rate of women who visit doctors for annual examinations and preventive services is 100 percent higher than those of men, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC).

Since June is national 'Men's Health Month' the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes made a special point to target their male tribal members with the inaugural 'Hooked on Health: Men's Health Day' on June 18 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla.

"Men can be more focused on taking care of their family than taking care of themselves," Nick Barton, executive director of health said.

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Special Session of Legislature

By Shaida Tabrizi Reporter

Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' Fifth Legislature met on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 for a special session to discuss and vote on new laws and resolutions.

Legislators present were Bruce Whiteman, C1, Alan Fletcher, C2, Cheevers Heap of Birds by phone, C3, Eugene Mosqueda, A1, Christine Morton, A2, Patrick Spottedwolf, A3, and Winslow Sankey, A4, present after the passing of two resolutions. Legislator Kyle Orange, C4, was absent.

A resolution to approve a partnership between the tribes and the American Red Cross in assisting families and communities impacted by disaster or emergency passed with six votes for yes and two absent.

A resolution to apply for an Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) was allowed to die, as it was not ready, but will be discussed at the next legislative session.

A resolution calling for transfer of the Clinton Indian Hospital and approximately 14 acres of land from Indian Health Service (IHS) to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) trust status passed with six votes for yes and two absent.

A resolution to approve semi-annual budget modifications for building renovations was approved with seven votes for yes and one absent.

Bill Number 5L-RS-2015-02-003, an 'Act to Amend the Cheyenne and Arapaho General Revenue and Taxation Law' of 1988

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Kids learn to live without technology at summer camp

By Shaida Tabrizi, Reporter

There's a common lament that kids these days don't know how to unplug from the cell phones that seem glued to their hands. They barley look up from the world wide web to the actual wide world around them.

Though it required a physical confiscation of the ever-present technology, C&A tribes' R.E.Sp.E.C.T Program proved that once disconnected, kids do still know how to run, play, laugh and talk as loudly as possible.

The program hosted their yearly no electronic sports and fitness camp June 22-25 at the RomanNose State Park in Watonga, Okla. Over 60 boys and girls from grades 5th-8th lugged in sleeping bags and gear, ready for a week of tech-free fun in the sun.

Anticipation ran high the first day of the camp as the kids waited to check in, filling the room with chatter about plans to swim, play sports and the much-expected trip to White Water.

Counselors from the R.E.Sp.E.C.T. program were ready too, many of whom were campers once themselves. The camp has a long tradition, with many remembering attending years ago.

During a dodge ball game, many of the counselors sat in the shade trading stories of campfires and scary stories, as well as funny run-ins with wildlife.

"I like the interaction with the kids," Rick Bear, one of the camp's wellness techs and previous camper said. "Seeing them grow up through the camps is great."

Event Coordinator, Jerilyn Longknife, described the fun kids have every year, since the staff keeps them running around in activities all day.

"We try to keep as much physical activity as possible. But then a lot of other programs want to get involved with the kids so they come out too," Longknife said. "It's great being out here with the kids, meeting new kids, seeing old ones and helping them."

Photo by Shaida Tabrizi

Shouts of fun echoed through the fields of RomanNose State Park as kids at R.E.Sp.E.C.T.'s annual fitness camp played dodge ball.

Those other programs created a full agenda of diversions like stargazing, teepee building and movie nights, in addition to the weeklong completion between the four groups the kids were broken up into by the staff. Balanced with pool and lake time to beat the heat, the camp is more than fun only, since kids rotate chores and must keep the grounds clean.

"I'm looking forward to just having fun," 14 year-old Malachi Yelloweyes said. "Making sure everybody has a smile on their face."

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Clinton ~ 9:00am—4:00pm ~ Elderly Nutrition
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Governor taking nominations for open seats

(CONCHO-OK) The Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' Governor Eddie Hamilton is currently accepting nominations for various vacant seat for commissions and boards for the Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes.

Below is a list of vacant seats, as well as a list of seats that will be expiring, for which nominations will be accepted.

If anyone is interested in being considered for these vacancies, or know of someone you would like to nominate, please submit yours or their information to the Executive Office in writing either through mail, C&A Tribes, c/o Executive Office, PO Box 167, Concho, Okla. 73022 or hand deliver.

For more information contact Deborah Endecott, Executive Coordinator at (405) 422-7506.

Commissioners/Boards	District	Term	Start Date	End Date
Health Board				
Allen Sutton	A1	3 years	Unknown	Unknown
Vacant	A2	3 years	Unknown	Unknown
Vacant	A3			
Vacant	A4			
Vacant	C1			
Mary Beaver	C2	2 years	Unknown	Unknown
Moses Starr, Jr.,	C3	3 years	Unknown	Unknown
Vacant	C4			
Gaming Commissions				
Sherry Mackay	Chair Commissioner	3 years	6/24/14	6/24/17
Clayton Prairiechief	Commissioner	2 years	6/22/12	6/22/14
Virgil Whiteshirt	Commissioner	1 year	4/16/13	4/16/14
Election Commissioners				
Stephanie Meat	A1	4 years		12/31/15
Kim Davis	A2	4 years		12/31/15
Vacant	A3	4 years		
Vacant	A4	4 years		
Sandra Hinshaw	C1	4 years		12/31/17
Georgia Woods	C2	4 years		12/31/15
Sharon Allrunner	C3	4 years		12/31/17
Sarah Orange	C4	4 years		12/31/15
Housing Board				
Leda Walkingnight		3 years	1/1/13	12/31/15
Judy Lime		3 years	1/1/12	12/31/14
Ruby Standing Water		3 years	1/1/12	12/31/14
Wilbur Goodblanket		3 years	1/1/11	12/31/13
Vacant		3 years	1/1/11	12/31/13
Tax Commissioners				
Kay Mackety	Chair/Treasurer		As long as in position of Treasurer	
Virgil Franklyn			None	None
Larry Roman Nose			None	None
Willard Kyrk			None	None
Vacant			None	None
Judicial Board				
Vacant		4 years staggered		
Vacant		4 years staggered		
Vacant		4 years staggered		
Vacant		4 years staggered		
Vacant		4 years staggered		
RESPECT Board		None Established		
Vacant				
Vacant				
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and families of those who served
We will be adding names to the Cheyenne & Arapaho Veterans Memorial in the very near future!
If yours, or a deceased loved one's name is not currently engraved on the memorial, please send a copy of the DD Form 214 showing other than dishonorable service, along with the following information:
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• If during wartime, which war
• Branch of service
Send information to, or call for more information:
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From the Office of the Governor

Dear Tribal Members:

As the New Year is upon us for our Cheyenne and Arapaho people, there have been many positive strides achieved by the Administration I would like to share with you. With each accomplishment, minor and major changes have been implemented. Highlighted modifications and transitions include proposed gaming fund allocations, program reorganizations and administrative decisions. The increased gaming revenue from 2013 to 2014 has increased by 31 percent.

In May 2014, the Administration took a proactive approach to provide resources for current employees who wish to improve their educational, technical and job qualifications. The newly reorganized Employment Training Administration (ETA) Program combined the TERO and WIA Programs in August 2014. In December 2014, the ETA Program began meeting with the Economic Development (EDEV) Program employees assessing their current qualifications. Though the road had its bumps, the number one goal was to provide opportunities to the EDEV employees to become more qualified in their respective positions. Part of this initiative was the creation of a new Career Developer position whose primary focus is helping to improve individual's skills by helping them in their chosen careers.

The ETA Program in conjunction with the Tribal Transit Program and the Adult Education will be providing Driver's License Re-instatement and GED Attainment. In addition, employees have training opportunities such as: Forklift Training offered through the Medley Company/OCCC, Heavy Equipment Operating School in OKC, Truck Driver Training (CDL) offered through Vocational Technology Centers or CDL Schools, short term college accredited certifications eighteen (18) hours offered through Redland Community College, and lastly training opportunities to attend any class offered through their local technology center. The technology centers offer courses in the areas of construction, carpentry, electrician, mechanic, welding, HVAC, plumbing, medical, and several different computer courses.

Part of the reorganization process in the Economic Development Program was placing various employees to on-call status and redistributing part of the EDEV budget to other areas such as the Department of Social Services and the Department of Education. The Administration took this opportunity to give employees the option to obtain basic job skills and tools, such as a valid driver's license, while investing more tribal funds to other neglected services.

There have been success stories with this initiative. Success stories include employees completing computer-networking class, attaining Oklahoma State Driver's licenses, attaining CDLs, completing welding courses, and the ETA Program referred ten employees to the Adult Education Program for GED Services. Through growing pains and a tough love approach, reorganization in the Economic Development Program has been a financially responsible and progressively rewarding initiative for everyone involved.

In the proposed 2016 Annual Tribal Budget, the Department of Social Services and Education were allocated $707,365.31 and $5,420,061.70 gaming monies, increasing their budgets by $128,729.40 and $1,846.723.66 from 2015, respectively. Jobs will always be a priority but as an Administration we have an obligation to provide these departments more funding so that they can, in turn, offer more services to our tribal members in these critical areas.

One promise of the Administration was being open minded and respectful of other branches of government. Being financially responsible and working with the Legislative Branch, we have worked hand in hand to pass 22 contracts, 12 resolutions/amendments, 3 grants and one re-negotiation with a vendor contract to favor the Tribe since February 2015.

Recently, on May 11, 2015, Superintendent Betty Tippeconnie, Concho Agency addressed Governor Eddie Hamilton approving the drawdown of $2,275,501.14 from the PL73707700 and $1,948,200.91 from PL7210708 totaling $4,223,702.05. Although the practice was unorthodox, the money was borrowed from the Tax Commission where the funds were returned. Recognized as Governor from the Concho Agency after many years of dispute and controversy, the Administration has been blessed and patient the past year and half.

Furthermore, Lt. Governor Cornell Sankey and myself attended a business trip to our Nation's Capital May 20-21, 2015 to meet with representatives from the White House and Bureau of Indian Affairs. Michael Black, Director of Bureau of Indian Affairs, relayed to Lt. Governor Sankey and myself, "the current Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes administration is the most stable C&A tribal government he has seen." To hear the positive compliment from representatives in Washington, D.C., was encouraging and motivating. We will continue to be servant leaders for our Cheyenne and Arapaho people.

The Administration has continued to provide the best possible services through opposition and adversity. The core values of "Servant Leadership, Inclusiveness, Honor and Respect" will continue to be promoted by this Administration. As always, the continued prayers, suggestions and support are much appreciated and may all our Tsistsistas and Hinono'ei have a blessed year.

Hahou,
Eddie Hamilton
Governor

United States Department of the Interior
Bureau of Indian Affairs
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Executive Direction May 11, 2015

Honorable Eddie Hamilton, Governor
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
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Concho, OK 73022

Dear Governor Hamilton:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated November 19, 2014, together with Legislative Bill No. 5L-SS-2014-1128-002, enacted by the Fifth Legislature of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes on December 01, 2014, and approved by this Agency on May 11, 2015.

The November 19, 2014, letter requested a drawdown of $2,275,501.14 from U.S. Treasury Account Number PL7370700 and $1,948,200.91 from PL7210708 and their subsequent transfer to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes' Minerals Distribution Account number 9860069236 at the First Citizens Bank, 4501 W. Memorial Road, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73142, via ABA routing number 103089834. The tribes contact person at the bank is Ms. Mindy Thomas, Vice President – Financial Sales Manager, phone #405-302-2707. As directed, the amounts indicated above will be withdrawn from the U.S. Treasury and deposited into the designated Tribes' account.

Should there be questions regarding this matter, please contact me on (405) 262-7481, extension 111.

Sincerely,
Betty B. Tippeconnie
Superintendent

cc: FTO, Concho Agency

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APR	$ 3,752,138.67	$ 4,387,520.40
MAY	$ 2,975,331.48	$ 4,117,261.70
JUN	$ 4,340,129.00	
JUL	$ 2,936,190.00	
AUG	$ 2,641,794.00	
SEP	$ 4,256,163.00	
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The Cheyenne & Arapaho Election Commission announces the 2015 preliminary candidates

Final Candidate listing will be published Aug. 15, 2015.

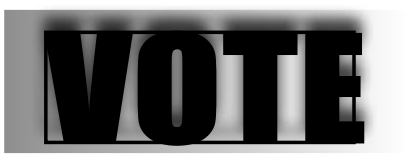
(CONCHO, OK) The Cheyenne & Arapaho Election Commission released the preliminary candidates for the following District Legislator and Election Commissioners on June 8, 2015.

Due to an error in the June 15, 2015 issue of the *Tribal Tribune*, we are republishing the list of preliminary candidates.

DISTRICT LEGISLATIVE SEATS
Cheyenne District 1
Bruce Whiteman Jr.-Incumbent
Karen Michelle Bigfoot
Amber Bighorse
Wilma Blackbear
Burl Buffalomeat
David Ramos Jr.
Bryan Redhat
Cheyenne District 3
Cheevers Heap of Birds-Incumbent
Damon Dunbar
Darrell Flyingman
Eddie Henry Jr.
Chester Old Bear
Jerry RomanNose
Reggie Wassana

DISTRICT LEGISLATIVE SEATS-Cont'd:
Arapaho District 3
Patrick Spottedwolf-Incumbent
Arapaho District 4
Winslow Sankey Jr.-Incumbent

ELECTION COMMISSION
Cheyenne District 2-NONE
Cheyenne District 4-NONE
Arapaho District 1-NONE
Arapaho District 2-Dale Hamilton Sr.



Important Dates to Remember
Primary and General Elections

May 1, 2015 - Candidate registration for elective offices open
June 1, 2015-Candidate registration for elective offices closes
June 15, 2015-Announce preliminary list of qualified candidates and eligible voters
July 15, 2015-Last day to file any written challenges to the preliminary list of qualified candidates or eligible voters
Aug. 1, 2015-Election Commission will decide all written challenges by this date.
Aug. 15, 2015-Announce the final list of candidates and eligible voters
Sept. 4, 2015-Last day to request an absentee ballot
Sept. 15, 2015-Absentee ballots mailed out
Oct. 6, 2015-PRIMARY ELECTION
Oct. 13, 2015-Absentee ballots mailed out
Nov. 3, 2015-GENERAL ELECTION

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Southeastern to offer unique degree in Native American leadership

DURANT, Okla. – Beginning January 2015, Southeastern Oklahoma State University began to offer a unique new master's degree in Native American leadership.

The "Master of Science in Native American Leadership (MSNAL)" recently received final approval from the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

The MSNAL, to be delivered online, is unique due to the fact that it offers a combination of Native American history and organizational leadership in one degree.

Co-directors of the project are Dr. Bryon Clark, associate vice president for academic affairs and graduate dean, and Chris Wesberry, director of the Native American Center for Student Success.

"Southeastern is recognized around the country as a leader in providing higher education opportunities and services to its Native American students," said Southeastern president Sean Burrage. "This innovative new master's degree certainly enhances the programs we have in place at the University. We believe that the MSNAL will generate a great deal of interest to students."

Wesberry agreed, noting that several students inquired about the new program at the recent National Indian Education Association annual convention and trade show, to which Southeastern sent representatives.

"The MSNAL is a result of University faculty and staff working with tribal partners to develop a graduate degree that includes Native American topics and leadership concepts," Wesberry said. "Specifically combining the two areas into one degree was of utmost importance as we were developing the courses. With this degree, students are able to take courses such as 'Effective Communication Through Presentation,' while also taking 'Geography and Treaties.' The combination of historical and culturally relevant courses with courses focused on leadership skills is very unique. ''

For more information about the new degree program, contact Chris Wesberry at (580) 745-2376.

In addition to the MSNAL, the State Regents also approved a new option for Southeastern's MBA program in Native American Leadership. Students can now take targeted courses from the MSNAL program as part of this new MBA option.

For more information, contact Dr. Lawrence Sil-

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Partnership opens pathway for master degree program

Submitted by the Dept. of Education

The Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes and Southeastern Oklahoma State University have partnered together to create a cohort of Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members who are aspiring to earn their master degrees in Native American Leadership or Business Administration. Chris Wesberry serves as an adjunct professor and recruiter for the *Master's in Native American Leadership Program*.

The C&A Dept. of Education devised a partnership to ensure tribal members can earn their master degrees and hopefully apply their education as tribal employees. This process will ensure the tribes are supporting and producing the next generation of leaders for tribal governance.

In addition, the tribes' Tax Commission also supported tribal member/employee students with a laptop incentive. The laptop incentive enables students to complete their course work at home. The master programs are 100 percent online, which affords tribal students who are also employees, to work on their coursework during their free time. The graduate students will complete 32 credit hours within the upcoming three semesters of school.

Submitted photo

The first 10 tribal members who will be given the opportunity to attain their master's degrees. Front row, l-r: Funston Whiteman, James Bates, Lisa Martin, Rebecca Risenhoover and Cornell Sankey.

Second row, l-r: Michelle Whiteman, Paula Levi, Wanda Whiteman and Carol Limpy.

Back row, Chris Wesberry, Southeastern Oklahoma State University's Native American Center for Student Success director and Cecil Gray.

It is the goal of the Dept. of Education to introduce more cohorts at the undergraduate and graduate levels for tribal members to provide the most effective pathway toward degree completion.

For more information contact the Dept. of Education at (405) 422-7562.

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Photo by Shaida Tabrizi

Wanda Whiteman holds up her new CPR learning kit, a happy yet bittersweet tribute to her lost loved one Carl Bigfoot.

" Our goal is to do more events like this around the area to reach as many men as possible."

Over 15 programs and health-focused businesses aimed at getting their services to men through interactive booths and presentations. C&A tribal programs included Health, Health Education, Diabetes Wellness, Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention (MSPI) and Emergency Medical Services.

Kateri Fletcher from the MSPI Program gave a presentation on the subject of mental health. Though the subject can be uncomfortable for many people to discuss, especially men, she highlighted the need to care for the mind as well as the body.

Many representatives from Integris, Clinton Service Unit and the Diabetes Wellness Program set up screenings for blood glucose, blood pressure and cholesterol levels, lung capacity, as well as foot checks for tribal members with diabetes.

Tribal elder Matt Hamilton was the first to brave climbing into the 'Caring Van' for his foot check. Joking about getting a foot massage while he removed his socks and boots, Hamilton then turned more serious and attentive as Diabetes Wellness Nurse Kathy Shawnee described available medical services to him.

Integris volunteers at the event did more than check vital levels, they taught as well. Dietician Pam Patty demonstrated how to make healthy snacks from shredded vegetables and gave out the recipe for her popular watermelon salsa. And Dr. Glen Hyde answered questions from the crowd of men on subjects ranging from stroke to prostate exams.

"It's been a great time!" Tribal Member Gilbert Lamebull exclaimed. "We did all the screenings and won a door prize right off."

Organizers of the event kept it as masculine as possible, with horseshoe and domino tournaments and door prizes of camping equipment, which were a big hit, with loud shouts from each winner.

But the excitement in the room rose to a new level when John Morton of the Custer County Health Department gave a demonstration of mixed martial arts (MMA). Morton and his students showed the crowd wrestling, boxing, mixed fighting and Jujitsu.

"It's very appropriate to have this kind of demo at a men's health day," Morton said, adding that he hopes to work more with the C&A tribes at future events.

Apart from the physical benefits to the sport, Morton highlighted the mental benefits, explaining his work with teaching self-defense classes to bullied youths, women and men.

The session given the most precedent at the event, however was the CPR class led by representatives from the American Heart Association. A large group of volunteers took part in watching the video and practicing on a dummy.

Though the volunteers laughed a little as they learned to perform a new life-saving skill by pumping their hands on the dummy to the beat of The BeeGees "Stayin' Alive," the seriousness of the CPR lesson was never in doubt, as the motivating factor behind its inclusion in the healthful event was the tragic story of tribal member Carl Bryce Bigfoot.

Bigfoot was a man like many others, caught up in working to care for his family and not focusing on his own health. His aunt, Wanda Whiteman, viewed him as a son and sadly described the events leading to his early death at age 51 in 2008.

"He was such a good man, everybody loved him. Everybody misses him," Whiteman said, tearing up. She went on to tell the common story of a man with heart problems who felt too concerned with the financial necessity of taking care of his family to take a day off of work to visit the doctor and didn't have the proper education to improve his health on his own. Sadly, Bigfoot had a heart attack in his home where no one knew CPR and by the time the ambulance arrived it was too late.

Strides are being taken to increase knowledge about preventative and emergency help. The American Heart Association gave out CPR kits with a practice dummy and instructional video to attendees, and informed the crowd that starting with the fall 2015 school year, all Oklahoma high school students will be required to learn CPR before graduating.

"I still miss him so much," Whiteman said. "But I'm happy they're teaching CPR to everyone and that more education is getting out there. That's what they need."

For more information, call Health Education at (405) 422-7674.

Cultural center

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we will finish it."

That's exactly what Wade did, "well we went out, the city gave us about $9 million, the tribes all gave up about $18 million, so we did our part three years ago, and then of course, the state didn't do it because of various reasons, and I certainly, today, am glad that we are finished with all that because you never knew whether it was going to happen or not happen."

He said all 39 tribes have given some funds from somebody, from each tribe in Oklahoma and now the plan is to transfer the center to the city, implement the funds and get going on finishing it.

When asked if he could give an estimated opening date Wade said, "I am going to be realistic and tell you the first three months of 2018. We will order in the equipment and everything to finish this 1 January of 16 and by 2018, January, February or March we will have a grand opening."

Wade envisions the tribal grounds filled with tribes hosting their own powwows and events. He wants the Indian people to first and foremost love the cultural center, and said that is why they will be hiring an American Indian director, Indian people will curate it and work there, "that's the way it should be."

Wade said he feels strongly about this project because growing up in Oklahoma, "we have never taken advantage of helping our American Indian people and when I grew up and became the director of the Oklahoma Historical Society, I saw then we needed to do this and that was at least 20 to 25 years ago."

His belief is the same as what has been studied by Price Waterhouse, that the American Indian Cultural Center is the most important project the state of Oklahoma will do.

"Out of the thousand projects I did during the Centennial, this is the only project that was not finished. I had the opportunity to put in a new history center, I had the opportunity with Frank Keating to put the dome on the capitol and I had the opportunity to go to Hawaii and finally put up a memorial to the USS Oklahoma ship that all those 156 American 18-19 year olds died on," Wade said. "So I come back here and I keep saying why do we have troubles finishing this project. The day it's finished people are going to drive by out there on that highway and they will say, 'wow what a great idea.'"

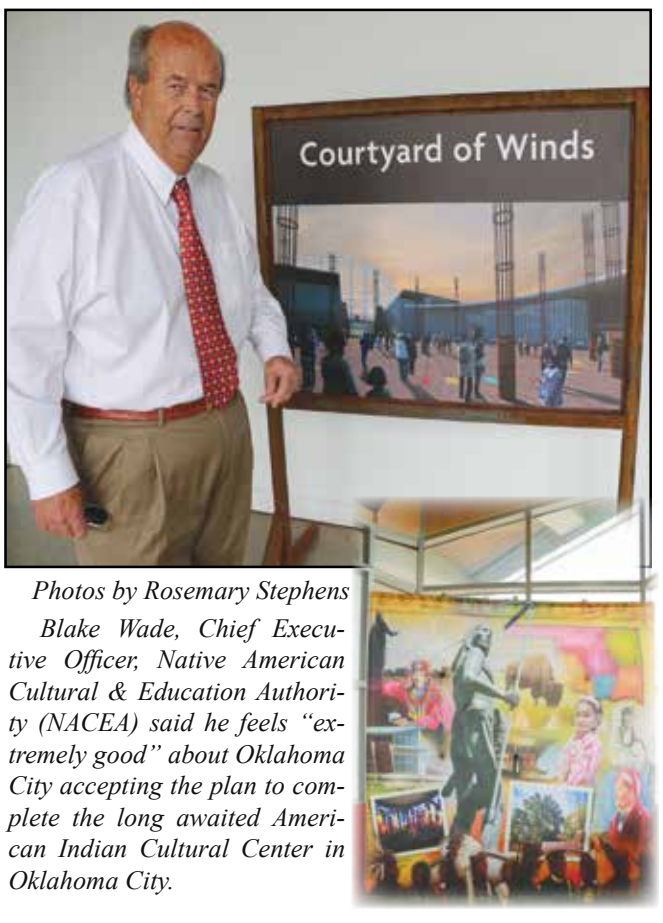
Wade said when all the negativity started he knew if, "we built it they would come and that's what will happen. This will be better than any project I have every done."

About Blake Wade:

Wade was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of the Native American Cultural and Educational Authority (NACEA) developing the American Indian Cultural Center and Museum and the American Indian Cultural Foundation on Dec. 1, 2011.

Prior to this appointment, Wade served as President of the Oklahoma Business Roundtable, Oklahoma's primary economic development support organization. Wade Served as the Executive Director of the Oklahoma Historical Society from 1990 to 1999 and the Director of the Oklahoma Capitol Complex and Centennial Commemoration Commission beginning Aug. 1, 1999.

Wade participates actively in community organizations, serving on the board of directors of the Jim Thorpe Association and Hall of Fame, Petroleum Club, Jasmine Moran Children's Museum, Oklahoma Heritage Association, State Fair Board, Friends of the Mansion, Oklahoma Outreach and serves as President of the Oklahoma Association of the U.S. Army. He is the recipient of the 2008 Administrator of the Year Award (Oklahoma Chapter American Society for Public Administration) and an Emmy Award winner for the production of the Oklahoma Centennial's 'Spectacular.' (Ford Center, Nov. 16, 2007.)



Photos by Rosemary Stephens

Blake Wade, Chief Executive Officer, Native American Cultural & Education Authority (NACEA) said he feels "extremely good" about Oklahoma City accepting the plan to complete the long awaited American Indian Cultural Center in Oklahoma City.

C-A tribal members make a showing at Red Earth

Junior Girls Combined Categories

1st: Nivy Jane Yarholar (Comanche Arapaho), Moore, OK

2nd: Cuny Wicahpis (Lakota/Dakota), Moore, OK

3rd: AnnMarie Cometsevah (Cheyenne/Seminole/Creek), Weatherford, OK

4th: Delayna Bear (Meskwaki), Shawnee, OK

Teen Girls Cloth/Buckskin

1st: Mali Cooper Youngman (Arapaho/Comanche/Choctaw), Lawton, OK

2nd: Catherine Howell (Comanche), Tecumseh, OK

3rd: Addison Cloud (Cheyenne/Seminole/Creek), Weatherford, OK

4th: Shannon Tapia (Cheyenne), Watonga, OK

Teen Girls Fancy/Jingle

1st: Starrla Sage (Cheyenne-Arapaho/Kiowa), Hammon, OK

2nd: Kyla Sage (Cheyenne-Arapaho/Kiowa), Hammon, OK

3rd: Raven Wallowingbull (Northern Arapaho/Southern Cheyenne), Madison, SD

Adult Women Fancy Shawl/Jingle

1st: Willow Abrahamson (Shoshonie/Bannock), El Reno, OK

2nd: Brittany Yarholar (Cheyenne & Arapaho/Creek), Oklahoma City, OK

3rd: Beatrice Fingernail (Cheyenne), Oklahoma City, OK

4th: Victoria O›Keefe (Seminole/Cherokee), Stillwater, OK

Adult Men Traditional/Grass

1st: John Arkeketa (Otoe-Missouri), Tulsa, OK

2nd: Edmond Nevaquaya (Comanche), Apache, OK

3rd: DJ Yarholar

See **Red Earth winners** *pg. 9*

Basketball invitational

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R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Gym in Clinton, Okla., with the semifinals played at the Hydro Events Center in Hydro, Okla.

Each team paid a $350 entry fee and all teams had to be comprised of all Native athletes.

Below is the list of All Tournament team winners and Most Valuable Players from the three day tournament.

High School Boys

All Tournament Team

Tray McKay – Team Wambdi (MVP)

Robert McClain – Team Wambdi

Ty Pierce – Unexplainables

Ethan Cypress – Unexplainables

Allis Tahahwah – Meskwaki Nation

Demarce Keahna – Meskwaki Nation

High School Girls

All Tournament Team

Dominique Golightly – Blue Sky (MVP)

Lexus Halfred – Blue Sky

Kayla Reynolds – SWO Ballers

Fidel Eastman – SWO Ballers

Shae Pierce – Lady Swoopz

7/8th Grade Boys

All Tournament Team

Titus Owens – SW OK Indians (MVP)

Christian Pewo – SW OK Indians

Joe O'Rourke – Pine Ridge Sioux

Riley Cross – Pine Ridge Sioux

Ethan Brown – Leech Lake

Jared Brown – Leech Lake

7/8th Grade Girls

All Tournament Team

Makyra Tramble – Jeri's Dream Team

Nakai Harjo – Jeri's Dream Team

Kayla Jones – Lady Chiefs

Jessica Quetone – Lady Chiefs

Jada Highwalker – Na'Tsista

Jovanna Highwalker – Na'Tsista

Powwows & Events Calendar

The 52nd annual Sac & Fox Nation Powwow

July 9-12, 2015 at the Jim Thorpe Memoral Park, 5.5 miles south of Stroud, Okla., on Hwy. 99. Adult contestants must attend two Grand Entries, parade 8 p.m. nightly. Drum contest begins Friday, July 9 at Grand Entry. Open to the Public.

The 26th annual Oklahoma Indian Nations Powwow

July 31-Aug. 2, 2015 at the Concho powwow grounds in Concho, Okla. Dance schedule, Friday, July 31, Gourd dance at 6 p.m., Grand Entry at 8 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 1, Gourd dance 2 p.m., Grand Entry 7 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 2, Gourd dance 2 p.m., Grand Entry 7 pm. Saturday and Sunday Gourd dance sessions will be held at the Concho Community Center.

Specials will be held during afternoon Gourd dance sessions only, no specials after Grand Entry. Vendors welcomed. For more information contact Christine Morton at (405) 476-1134 or (405) 422-7919.

Third Birthday Dance for Selesa Lourdes Shortman and Coming Out Dance for Jose Gonzales-Garcia

Saturday, Aug. 8, 2015 at the Watonga Multi-Purpose building in Watonga, Okla. Supper at 5 p.m.

Pretty Shawl contest in memory of Violet Rose (Tallbear) Scraper. Tiny Tot contest, scavenger hunt, cake walk and raffles.

Selesa is the daughter of Vaness Shortman and Israel Rodriquez-Gomez. She is the granddaughter of Virginia Kauley from Hammon, Okla., and the late Frank Shortman of Watonga, Okla., the great-granddaughter of the late Clara Whitehat Morrison of Watonga, Okla., and the great-great granddaughter of the late Bertha Redmon and Frank Woods Whitehat.

Jose is the son of Jose and Lucy Florence (Scraper) Gonzalez-Garcia of Clinton, Okla. He has one sister, Geneva Rose, 2 years old. He is the grandson of Richard Scraper Sr., and the late Violet Rose "Sissy" Tallbear-Scraper of Watonga, Okla., Ramona Gonzalez-Garcia and the late Jesus Gonzalez-Garcia of Guadalajara, Mexico. He is the great-grandson of the late Moses Tallbear Sr., from Hammon, Okla., the late Blossom Goodbear, Tallbear, Youngbear of Watonga, Okla., and the late Jesse and Polly (Scott) Scraper of Stilwell, Okla. He is the great-great-grandson of the late Rosa (Rosie) touching Ground of Watonga, Okla.

Ernest Big Medicine Memorial

Aug. 15, 2015 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Gourd dance at 2 p.m., supper at 5 p.m. followed by Grand Entry at 7 p.m. Invited Northern Drum, Riverside Drum, Arapaho, WY. Men's Northern Traditional contest, 1st place, $1000, 2nd place $800 and 3rd place $400.

Men's Grass Dance contest, 1st place, $500, 2nd place $300, and 3rd place $200. For more information contact Merle Lopez (405) 262-0002.

Results from Constitutional Amendments referendum votes

The Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' Election Commission recently mailed out ballots to registered voters referencing proposed Constitutional Amendments.

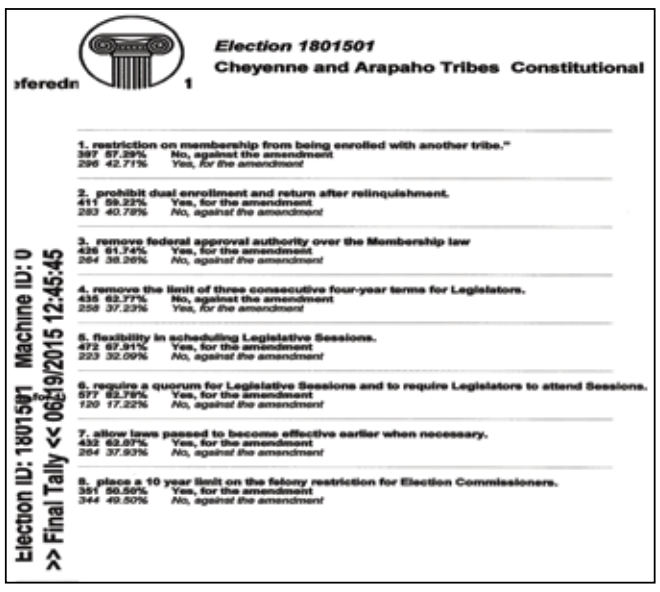
The results from those ballots received are posted below.

The Tribal Government would like to say thank you to everyone who was able to return their ballots before the June 19 deadline.

One of the things learned during this process, was more time is needed in mailing ballots to voters out of state and the deadline to return said ballots.

Please look for more information on Constitutional Amendments in the near future.

For questions or concerns please contact Legislative Clerk, Ramona Tallbear at (405) 422-7778.



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Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Constitutional

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1. restriction on membership from being enrolled with another tribe."
397 57.29% No, against the amendment
296 42.71% Yes, for the amendment

2. prohibit dual enrollment and return after relinquishment.
411 59.22% Yes, for the amendment
283 40.78% No, against the amendment

3. remove federal approval authority over the Membership law
436 61.74% Yes, for the amendment
264 38.26% No, against the amendment

4. remove the limit of three consecutive four-year terms for Legislators.
436 62.77% No, against the amendment
258 37.23% Yes, for the amendment

5. flexibility in scheduling Legislative Sessions.
472 67.91% Yes, for the amendment
223 32.09% No, against the amendment

6. require a quorum for Legislative Sessions and to require Legislators to attend Sessions.
577 82.78% Yes, for the amendment
120 17.22% No, against the amendment

7. allow laws passed to become effective earlier when necessary.
432 62.07% Yes, for the amendment
264 37.93% No, against the amendment

8. place a 10 year limit on the felony restriction for Election Commissioners.
351 50.50% Yes, for the amendment
344 49.50% No, against the amendment

One small group takes on big problem of teen substance abuse

By Shaida Tabrizi, Reporter

Though the American Indian population in the United States is relatively small, it is disproportionately affected by a variety of health problems, including substance abuse. Since alcohol and drug use for Native youth exceeds the national average in all categories, mountains of research has been done in an effort to prevent the potential long-term health problems as well as the heartache of such abuse.

Cheyenne & Arapaho tribes' Strategic Prevention Framework Specialist (SPF) Maria Farmer has found her passion in reaching out to Native youth and helping them to learn the grave dangers of alcohol and drug use.

Farmer and her SPF Administrative Assistant, Clara Bushyhead, made the first of many planned informative talks to schools in Canadian, Blaine, Washita and Custer Counties beginning at Darlington Public School on Monday, June 23.

Getting the group of seventh graders involved on a Monday morning was tough, but Farmer and Bushyhead soon accomplished it through asking questions about the students' interactions with drugs and alcohol, trivia and throwing out candy. Once engaged, the students listened attentively as Farmer and Bushyhead shared their personal heartbreak of how substance abuse affected their lives and the lives of their loved ones.

Encouraging the Darlington students to take the lead in making the right choices, Bushyhead said, "It's your generation right now that stops this. You're the ones that have to empower yourselves to change this. To say, I want better for myself, I want better for my tribe."

In addition to the talks at schools, Farmer and Bushyhead are planning activities like block parties, Halloween parties and trips to White Water Bay or Frontier City. They took the time to ask for suggestions from the students too, and a few shy ideas for swimming or paintball fights circulated. Their teacher Mike Pierson cheered them on to talk more with the SPF group.

"You guys live in a great time. Because you're able to get more information out about yourselves and we need to start making noise, letting people know that we're here, that we've been here," Pierson said. "It starts with y'all. It's you. I tell you guys, you're my future. You're American Indians, and it's important that as a group we get together and make changes."

Farmer excitedly talked about starting the ball rolling on inspiring youth to make those changes.

"All we're wanting to do is to get ahold of the youth to show them that we're here. Not a lot of tribal members or people in general know that we have the Prevention Program," Farmer said. "I'm looking to get our name out there and target the youth, that's my main goal."

The SPF program is funded by a grant by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) through the Oklahoma Intertribal Health Board. SPF groups in the Absentee Shawnee tribe, the Chickasaw and Comanche Nations, the C&A tribes are working together under the grant for youth prevention, and presented a joint abstract to the American Public Health Association (APHA) in Boston. They're abstract entitled "Working together: Addressing prescription drug abuse and underage drinking - a collaboration between the Absentee Shawnee Tribe, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, the Chickasaw Nation, the Comanche Nation, and the Oklahoma City Area Inter-tribal Health Board" was selected for the APHA annual meeting and exposition at the end of October 2015 in front of over 12,000 people.

Photo by Shaida Tabrizi
Maria Farmer and Clara Bushyhead show their passion for preventing drug abuse and underage drinking, asking Darlington students to lead the way to change in their generation.

"I'm excited and nervous at the same time," Farmer said. "But I love my job. I'm really taking the chance and the opportunity to hit the ground running to get out there and let people know hey, we are here. We're here for the people. We're here for our youth."

Minnie Ramos attains Associate of Arts degree

Submitted by Wanda Whiteman
Higher Education

Submitted photo
Minnie Ramos was granted the priviledge of attending her graduation ceremonies from a work release facility in Dallas, Texas.

Minnie Ramos, enrolled member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, has graduated from Central Texas College with an Associate of Arts degree. This event was special because Minnie has been the only incarcerated student who has been released in time to attend her school commencement event. Although she remains in a work release center, she was granted leave to attend her graduation.

I was invited to attend her graduation ceremony and I felt I should be there to show support. Her mother, Pat (Yellow Eagle) Ramos and her father, Eusebrio, brother Junior and other family members travelled from Clinton, Okla., to attend Minnie's special day. A stop was made to pick up her two children in Texas, then Dallas to pick Minnie up, then onto Belton, Texas, where everyone stayed overnight. Minnie and her family attended her graduation ceremony the next morning at the Bell County Expo Center. Myself, her sister Espy and Espy's two children followed behind.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Gaming-Higher Education Program has funded many incarcerated tribal members. Six of those incarcerated students have attained a degree while incarcerated but were not able to attend their graduation ceremony because they were still incarcerated. A few of them have since been released.

Incarcerated tribal members can receive scholarship assistance if they are eligible to enroll in a higher education degree program through a partnership with a correctional facility and a local state-funded college. The Higher Education Program has provided educational assistance for inmates as long as they have remained in good academic standing. First time students are encouraged to take one or two courses during the first term and thereafter, we may then assist with full time costs. The prison officials are greatly appreciative of the scholarship assistance we provide to our tribal members.

When Minnie was incarcerated she left two children for the paternal grandmother to raise. She said she realizes the bad choices she made that put her in prison and is determined to improve her life and continue her education to attain a bachelor's degree. She is the first in her family to have attained a degree. She has encouraged her brother and sister to get a GED.

Driving back from Texas, her sister Espy began to ask me questions about where she could get started on studying for her GED. She said, "I don't want my sister to be mad at me. She told me I better have my GED by the time she gets home."

Minnie made the honor roll several times throughout her studies. The Department of Education is proud of the accomplishments she has made and we congratulate her.

Many incarcerates, when released, have no place to live, little or no clothes and shoes, no income and no food. Some are able to stay with family for a short time but many of them do not have family assistance at all. Families want to help but often there is just not an extra bed or couch for the added family member.

It is hard for felons to get a job, many companies won't hire them if they check they are a felon. They may have a difficult time trying to reconnect to the outside world and become lost in society. Many of them resort to alcoholism, drugs and recidivism. If a re-entry program was available, they would be able to receive counseling and social services that might enable them to find permanent shelter and possibly a job. Eventually they could continue their education to attain a four-year degree. Their lives would be greatly improved. The hope is that someday our Cheyenne & Arapaho tribe might develop a re-entry program, which would be available for tribal members upon release from prison.

Gaming Higher Education funds are made possible through the Gaming Revenue Allocation Plan (GRAP) and are used to provide supplemental education services that would not be possible through another program. Assistance may be provided if funding is available.

Legislature

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was not passed, with seven in favor to table this act and one absent. Legislators voted to wait until more adjustments to the draft redlined form of the bill could be made, and will vote on it in the future.

Bill Number 5L-RS-2015-03-003, 'A Bill to Adopt the Cheyenne and Arapaho Indian Health Board Act' which will update the charters and bylaws of the board to be consistent with the 2006 constitution passed with seven votes for yes and one absent.

A resolution to approve a contract with the National Park Service for involvement with the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site with funding in the amount of $20,000 passed with seven votes for yes and one absent.

A resolution to approve a contract with Intertribal Software Consultants, Inc. for annual support of the tribal assistance manager software used by the Elder Care Program passed with seven votes for yes and one absent.

A resolution to approve a contract with Marianne's Rentals for Special Events for a tent at the Men's Health Day activities at the Concho powwow grounds passed with seven votes for yes and one absent. Another resolution to approve a contract with Marianne's Rentals for Special Events for a tent at the employee appreciation day activities at the Concho softball fields passed with six votes for yes, one vote for no and one absent.

Representatives from C&A tribes' Education Department presented a resolution to approve a consortium agreement with the Chickasaw Nation for the Native Youth Community Project (NYCP). This federal grant of $300,000, with $50,000 going directly to the C&A Education Department, is meant to improve the educational opportunities for American Indian/Alaska Native students through specialized educational assistance, counseling services and other support for existing public school programs.

According to the presentation, the Oklahoma State Department of Education encouraged a consortium between the Chickasaw Nation and the C&A tribes since they are the "power houses" in the east and west. With help from the grant, the Education Department will provide student tutors, 'intervention specialists' who will assist kids to take advantage of services offered by the tribe, and iPads to Native American students in local schools like Darlington and Calumet. The resolution passed with seven votes for yes and one absent.

The final resolution to approve a contract with Attorney Klint Cowan to represent the Election Commission passed with seven votes for yes and one absent.

For more information, call Ramona Tall Bear, legislative

BRIEFS AT A GLANCE

The second annual National Native American Leadership Forum

July 9-10, 2015 at the Hilton Waikiki Beach in Waikiki, Hawaii. For more information or to register visit www.nativenationevents.org.

The 2015 National Native Media Conference

July 9-12, 2015 at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City in Arlington, VA. For more information or to register visit www.naja.com.

The 2015 National UNITY Conference

July 10-15, 2015 at the Renaissance Hotel in Washington, D.C. For more information or to register visit www.unityinc.org.

The Tribal Workplace in the Digital World

July 14-15, 2015 at the Vocational Training and Resource Center, 3239 Hospital Drive in Juneau, Alaska. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Indian Country Human Resources Management Summit

July 21-23, 2015 at the Tropicana Hampton Inn in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

The 44th annual Association of American Indian Physicians Meeting & National Health Conference

July 27-Aug. 2, 2015 at the Tulalip Resort Casino in Tulalip, Wash. For more information visit www.aaip.org.

Home Buyer Counseling Under NAHASDA

July 29-30, 2015 at the Tropicana Hampton Inn in Las Vegas, Nev. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

Indian Country Child Abuse Training

Aug. 10-13, 2015 at the Byron G. Rogers Federal Building Mt. Evans Conference room in Denver, Colo. For more information or to register visit www.ncai.org.

The 36th annual National Indian and Native American Employment Training

Aug. 16-21, 2015 at the Choctaw Conference Center in Durant, Okla. For more information or to register visit www.ninaetc.net.

Second annual National Native American Leadership Forum

Aug. 17-18, 2015 at the Morgan Stanley Corporate Office and Headquarters in New York City. For more information or to register visit www.nativenationevents.org.

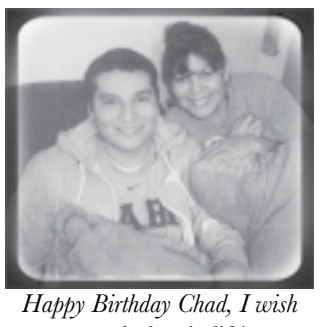
Native American Marijuana & Hemp Conference and Expo

Sept. 9-10, 2015 at the Harrah's Resort in Southern California.

Come hear prominent experts in the industry discuss recent legal, economic, social, and policy changes allowing Native America to enter into the marijuana market. For more information or to register visit www.native nationevents.org.

Happy Birthday!

Happy 9th Birthday Alex. You are so nice, courteous and are respectful to everyone, we all love you. God bless you, grandson.



Happy Birthday Chad, I wish you the best in life!
May God bless you.
Love your mother, Carol Sweezy

Happy 7th Birthday, Bindi White Plume Yellow Eagle. You are such a sweet girl and we all love you.
Congratulations too on being chosen Student of the Month for May at Rose Witcher. God Bless you, Sugar.

Brook Johna-Carla Standingwater
A very happy third birthday on July 3rd
From all her family and friends especially Carin, Tish, Carol, her grandmother Carol Standingwater, uncle John, aunt Steph sisters, Bella. Bianca, Carl, Adrian Elton, Johnny, Jordy, Dillion, Blake, Hunter!
Happy Birthday Brook we love you so much, have a great day!

Happy 7th Birthday KB
On July 10th in the early morning hours I was told by the nurses it was time to bring this sweet baby boy into the world. So, on July 10th at 7:29am into this world you came. You have continued to grow into a wonderful child and a great big brother. We want to wish you a very happy birthday and may God continue to bless you.
Love mom, dad, baby brother, Beba, uncle Chris, uncle Alan, & uncle Bryce.

Happy Birthday to one of my beautiful sisters, Kecia Byrd on June 19th and Congrats to one of my beautiful nieces Makayla Anson on graduating Hammon Headstart!
Love, your family

Happy 18th Birthday to my beautiful daughter Karlena Javon Orange
June 24
Love, mom and all your brothers and family!

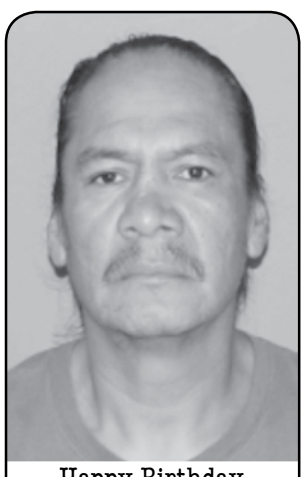
Happy Birthday to our nephew Chad Clay
June 15
This is a special day for you not only for your birthday But also it marks the great journey that you've accomplished until now.
I hope that you will achieve more of your goals and dreams.
God Bless and happy birthday to you!
Love Aunt Norma & Uncle Phillip

I want to wish my beautiful daughter Davonia Angeline Madbull a very happy 5th birthday. I love you baby girl.
July 1
Always & forever,
Daddy

To Our Family Members Wishing you a very Happy Birthday and many more!

The Mortons, Whitlows, Botones, Browns, Longknife, Reveles & Longs

Happy Birthday
Corrine Ann Morton
July 17



Happy Birthday
Linwood Morton
July 27

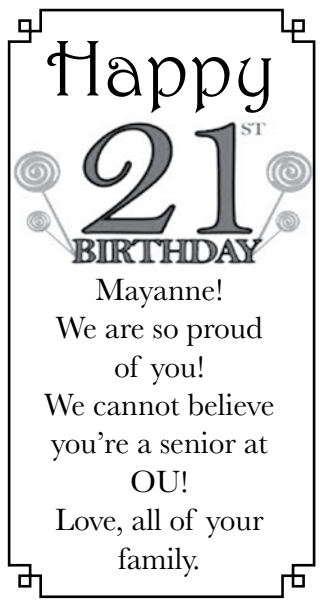
Happy Birthday
Stephanie Marie
Roman Nose
July 2

Happy Birthday
William Joseph
Four Horns
July 2

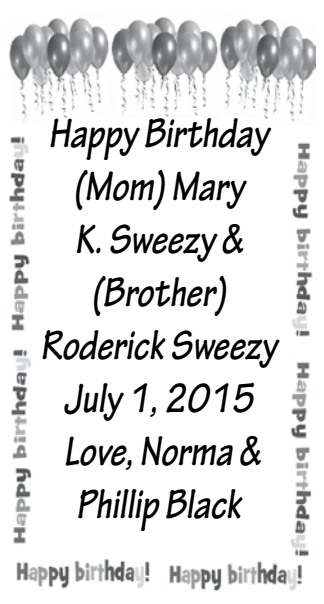
Happy Birthday
Sammy Christopher
Morton
June 12
Love you,

Momma, Alex, Jenny, Kaycee, & Libby
The Whitlows, Mortons, Botones, Browns, Reveles, Longknifes, Longs

Welcome New Baby Dalton Ace Simpson came into this world on June 6, 2015.
His parents are Sydney R. Keith and Kenneth Simpson. Proud grandparents are Brian Keith and Janice Warden.
God Bless baby Dalton and his parents.

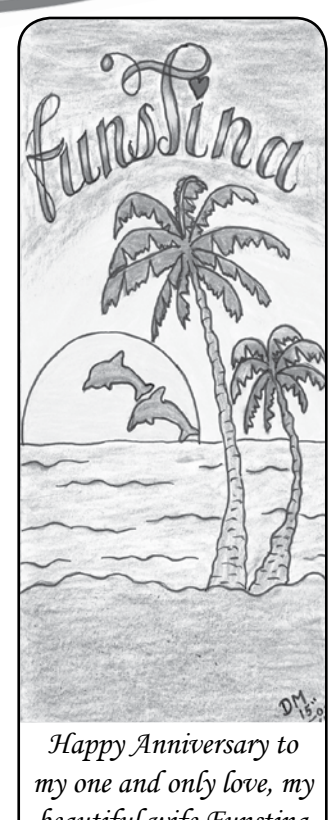


Mayanne!
We are so proud of you!
We cannot believe you're a senior at OU!
Love, all of your family.



Roxy was born December 20, 2014 to Olivia Loneman Meyer and Graham Meyer. Maternal grandfather is Jerry Loneman Sanders. Great grandmother is Betty Wilson Friday. Mom Olivia is currently attending graduate school in Pennsylvania and is a recipient of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Higher Education Scholarship. Our Higher Education Program is very proud of Olivia and congratulate her and her husband on the new addition to their family.

Celo Keith of Oklahoma City was united in marriage to Cassie Walker of Yukon, Okla. on May 19, 2015 in Oklahoma City. Celo is the son of Brian Keith and Janice Warden; Cassie is the daughter of Greg and Doreen Walker. May God Bless their marriage.



Happy Anniversary to my one and only love, my beautiful wife Funstina Madbull. It makes my heart happy that every day I get to spend my life with you! No turning back. I love you and our babies with all my heart.
Your husband,
D. Madbull

Happy Belated Birthday to my two beautiful baby girls!
I love you both so much!
Love, Momma Kaye

McKinley DeAnn Sage
13 years old
June 27th

Rachel Dawn Toahty
26 years old
June 29th

POST CARD
¡Hola!
I have learned so much in the time that I have been in España. This experience has changed my life forever and I am very grateful to have this amazing opportunity. Thank you from the bottom of my heart to those who helped support me to study abroad. I could never thank you enough for assisting me in furthering my education.
, Taylor Arnold

thank you!

I would like to say thank you very much! God has blessed my daughter, Taylor, to be able to have opportunities beyond her dreams. It is all because of God's blessings and the generosity of her family, friends, and our tribe that she has gotten to experience Spain for a little over a month. She continues to inspire her siblings as well as everyone around her. To all of our family that did all the fundraising, you are awesome! Thank you to Governor Eddie Hamilton for his donations for the fundraiser and to JOM for the help with the expenses. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! We love you!
Yolanda Robb & Family

If you know who this is, then you know it's her birthday!
Happy Birthday mom
We love you!

CLASSIFIEDS

Employment: Submit a tribal application, resume, diploma(s), transcripts, valid copy of Oklahoma state driver's license and a copy of CDIB to Personnel Department, PO Box 38, Concho, OK 73022 or email kwhitehorse@c-a-tribes.org.

Office Manager
Community Development
Closing: July 6, 2015

Qualifications:

Associate's degree and three years administrative experience. General knowledge of building, plumbing and electrical terms. Obtain Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) status on grants.gov. Demonstrate self-motivation by proving to be reliable and punctual. Willing and able to attend various training programs to ensure productiveness in duties and responsibilities. Demonstrate computer skills and/or knowledge, specifically Microsoft Word, Excel, Access and/or various other applications. Ability to deal tactfully, effectively and equitably with people. Ability to communicate, both orally and written. Ability to read, analyze and interpret general business periodicals, professional journals, technical procedures or governmental regulations. Ability to solve practical problems and deal with a variety of variables with limited standardization. Valid Oklahoma driver's license. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference.

SALARY: Negotiable

Caseworker, HOPE Program
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Associate degree or 24 hours of college coursework, bachelor degree preferred. Minimum two years of supervisory experience. Possess valid state driver's license, furnish copy with application. CDL or CDL eligible-class B, if needed. Training and warehouse knowledge; familiar with warehouse and loading and unloading safety practices as well as applicable regulations/policies. Working knowledge and experience using computers. Must be able to demonstrate ability/ knowledge of computer (Microsoft Office). Demonstrate experience and ability to relate and communicate well with Indian and non-Indian individuals/households. Ability to prepare and administer federal grants and contracts. Strong organization, writing and communication skills. Tribal preference. Must pass pre-hire drug testing.

SALARY: Negotiable

Supervised IIM Worker, Social Services
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Prefer Bachelors Degree in Social Work or related field preferred; or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Require two years of experience in professional related field. Ability to work flexible hours and willing to work other hours including after 5:00 PM. Must understand and strive to implement the program's goal, objectives, rules, and regulations. Possess communication skills, written and oral, to relate to Indian and Non-Indian communities, other agencies and the general public. Ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality on all client matters and other matters protected by the Privacy act as well as other confidentiality regulations. OSBI and criminal background check required and be adjudicated appropriately. Must possess a current Oklahoma Drivers License to operate a government owned vehicle. Prefer knowledge of Cheyenne and Arapaho/ Native Americans cultures and values. Ability to work with difficult clientele with various social problems and/or needs.

SALARY: Negotiable

Security Director
Concho Campus
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Associate's or bachelor's degree in criminal justice, management or business administration (or closely related degree with courses in management) is preferred, but not required. Must be familiar with concepts, practices and procedures of tribal security, with at least five years experience in security and/or law enforcement. Must be able to meet the physical requirements associated with this position. Must possess valid Oklahoma driver's license. Must pass pre-hire drug screening. Must possess advanced communication skills, in writing as well as speaking. Must possess strong interpersonal and customer service skills. Must possess strong organizational skills, with the ability to multi-task effectively. Must possess the ability to prioritize and manage multiple tasks and responsibilities.

SALARY: Negotiable

Data Entry/File Clerk
PT-Roads Program
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

Requires responsible individual able to work independently with little supervision and perform duties as assigned. Incumbent should be able to follow directions and communicate effectively both orally and in writing and should become familiar with the proper chain of command. Applicant should possess clerical skills, such as typing and ten-key, and should possess some knowledge in use of Microsoft Excel, Word, and some Access. Applicant may have to demonstrate knowledge in proper use of scanning and copier machines due to capacity and size of documents to be scanned and recorded. Data Entry/File Clerk requires an individual who has knowledge in database and records management. Certification of Completion from an accredited secretarial school and/or clerical course/ program or Certification of Completion of Access Software; Minimum education requirements are either a high school diploma or GED certification. Must possess a current Oklahoma state driver's license. Must pass pre-hire drug screen/test. Cheyenne-Arapaho preference.

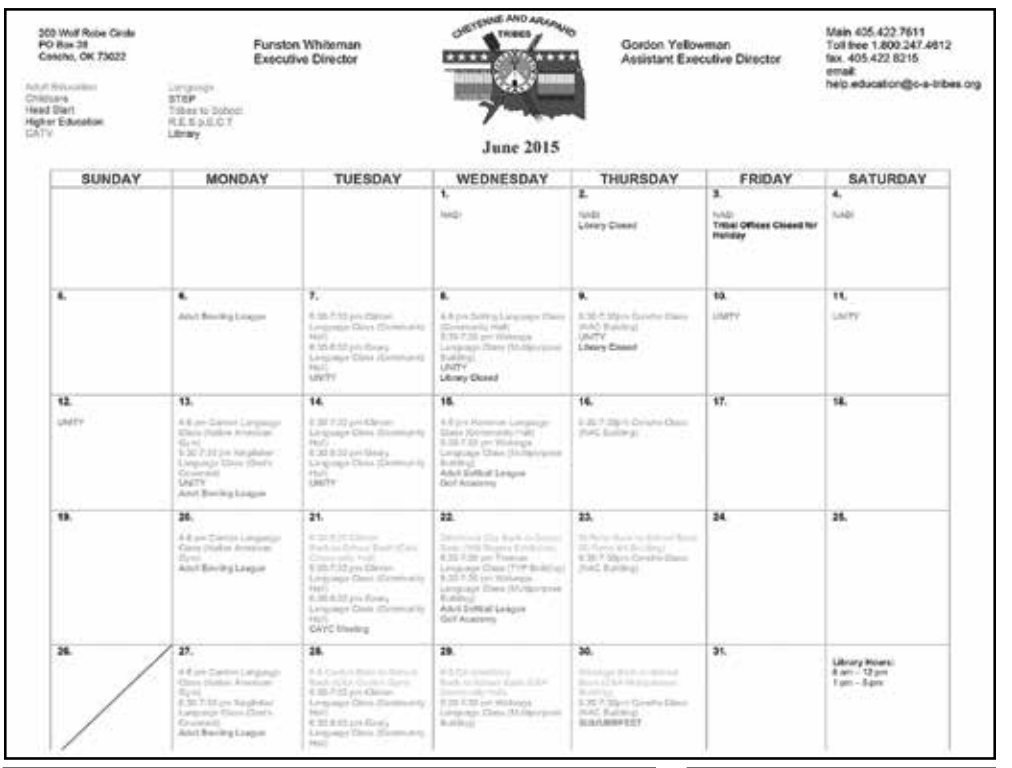
SALARY: Negotiable

R.E.Sp.E.C.T Wellness Technician-Canton
Closing: Until Filled

Qualifications:

High school diploma or GED certification required. Valid Oklahoma driver's license and reliable transportation. Must have an active background in sports, recreation and exercise. Must have the ability to interact and communicate with varied educational levels. Must have at least one year of experience working in the sports, recreational or exercise fields. Must be knowledgeable of and sensitive to tribal member's culture, heritage and beliefs. Good health and physical fitness a plus. Adult and child CPR/ First Aid certificate required. Must be able to perform professionally and in a culturally appropriate manner. Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member preference.

SALARY: Negotiable



Public Notice
Cheyenne – Arapaho Tribes Hazard Mitigation Plan

The Cheyenne – Arapaho Tribes Emergency Management Department is revising the Tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan that expires this year. Mitigation planning identifies actions to reduce or eliminate the long-term risk to human life and property from the effects of natural hazards.

The regulation for developing a Hazard Mitigation Plan is the following:

"On Oct. 30, 2000, the President signed into law the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, also known as DMA 2000. DMA 2000 streamlines the delivery and utilization of disaster recovery assistance. DMA 2000 places increased emphasis on local mitigation planning. It requires local governments to develop and submit mitigation plans as a condition of receiving Pre-Disaster (PDM) and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) project grants."

The Tribe has been affected by natural hazard disasters such as ice storms, tornadoes, wild fires, and floods. The assistance for individual aid (IA) may be available to tribal members depending on circumstances but assistance to the Tribe as a government is limited without having an approved Hazard Mitigation Plan. Pre-Disaster mitigation measures, such as early warning systems or safe rooms/shelters, need to be incorporated in a Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Tribe to apply for grant assistance to purchase and implement such measures.

A Draft Final Revised Cheyenne – Arapaho Hazard Mitigation Plan will be available for public review and comment from July 1 – 30, 2015 in the Emergency Management Office in the Native American Church, 100 Red Moon Circle, Concho, Oklahoma.

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
Elder Care Program

Application for 2015 Summer Cooling Assistance

- 1 electric bill per household, ELECTRIC BILL will be the only bill paid during this incentive.
- We will assist with the current amount only, NO PAST DUE balances or DEPOSITS balances.
- If you are on AVERAGE/BUDGET billing that is the amount we will pay, not the current amount."
- If you have a "ZERO" or "Credit" balance, NO payment will be made.
- You must submit your complete current utility statement each time you apply, if bill is not in your name, you must have a completed 2015 Residence Verification form.
- Maximum allowable amount is up to $300.00 on current balance due only (Pre-Paid accounts are capped at $200.00)
- This is in addition to your regular 90-day Elder Care Assistance
- This will exclude "yard lights" or "security Lights" or "Additional Structure lights"
- All bills AND applications MUST be submitted by the due dates, NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Please allow additional time to process check requests, up to 21 days from the date application is turned in to the Elder Care Program.

Print Name: | Always provide your CDIB# 28014_____
Spouse's Name: | Date of Birth:
Physical Address: | City: | State: | Zip Code:
Phone: ( ) | Message Phone: ( )

FINAL DISCONNECTION NOTICES OR RE-CONNECT FEES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Please circle the month in which you are applying for the Summer Cooling Assistance Program:

July 2015 August 2015

Final Submission Dates:

July 2015 " Last day we will take utility bills and applications will be August 31, 2015
August 2015 " Last day will take Utility bills and applications will be September 30, 2015

We will start accepting applications on July 1st, but we will not start processing requests until July 6th.

Tribal Member Signature | MM/DD/YY Date

School Clothing Program Dates
June 29–Oct. 16, 2015
Rachel Curtis
School Clothing Coordinator
School Clothing Clerk
3-17
Pre K-Senior
SCP (405) 422-7445
Fax (405) 422-8275
Ages 3 By Sept. 1 and 17 by Sept 15, 2015
Per Capita Adult verification date and who are enrolled in Head Start through High School for the 2015-2016 academic school year.

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes

P.O.Box 38
Concho, OK 73022

(405) 262-0345 / (800) 247-4612

NOTE: The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal offices will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2015 in observance of Fourth of July holiday.

www.c-a-tribes.org

IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED JUN 18 2015 IN THE TRIAL COURT
DOCKET PAGE FILM IMAGE COURT CLERK DEPUTY

In The Matter Of The Guardianship Of:
K.R. DOB: 11-20-01
G.R. DOB: 3-15-03
Minor Children

Case No: PG-2015-0044

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: AMY TYREE RIDGEBEAR

You are hereby notified that Audrey Whitecrow has filed in this Court a Petition For Guardianship Of said persons and/or estates of K.R. and G.R., minor children, and that on June 19, 2015. the petitioner, Audrey Whitecrow was granted temporary emergency guardianship of the minor children and that said Petition is hereby set for a Guardianship Hearing to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 15th day of July, 2015 at 10:00 A.M., at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Permanent Guardianship should not be granted.

Dated this 18th day of June, 2015.

David Littlebear, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

Petitioner:
Audrey Whitecrow
1321 W. Broadway
Elk City, OK 73644

CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED JUN 15 2015 IN THE TRIAL COURT
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IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Guardianship Of:
ALBERTA ADDISON TWO BABIES
DOB: 10-31-49
An Alleged Incapacitated Person

Case No: PG-2015-0017

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: FREDA TWO BABIES
TROY TWO BABIES
GERALD TWO BABIES

You are hereby notified that Bonita Cruz has filed in this Court a Petition For Appointment Of Guardian of the person and/or estate of Alberta Addison Two Babies, an Alleged Incapacitated Person and that on June 15th, 2015, the petitioner, Bonita Cruz was granted temporary emergency guardianship and that said Petition is hereby set for a hearing in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 15TH day of JULY, 2015 at 10:00 A.M., at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said guardianship should not be granted.

Dated this 15th day of JUNE, 2015.

Fran Wilson, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

Petitioner:
Bonita Cruz
P.O. Box 855
El Reno, OK 73036

Deadline for Change of Address and W9 forms is July 24, 2015

Change of Address and W9 Process:

Please submit all Change of Address and W9 forms to Enrollment Department by above date. Forms can be downloaded online at www.c-a-tribes.org (click Programs, then "Enrollment") or by calling Enrollment (405) 422-7600 and/or Per Cap (405) 422-7725.

Change of Address form will need to be notarized before submission. Enrollment Department will forward all updated forms to the Per Capita Office.

Please keep in mind that the mailing address on Change of Address form and W9 form will need to match. Per Capita Office will mail check or any letters concerning your account to mailing address on Change of Address and W9. Once paperwork is processed, Per Cap Office will review accounts to determine if any past due checks are available for reissue.

All 2015 Gaming and Revenue payments will be released on August 15, 2015 by mail and amount will be posted when available. Tribal Members who are turning 18 years of age by July 31, 2015 will be eligible for 2015 Gaming and Revenue payment and should have Change of Address, W9, and Social Security card turned into Enrollment Department. If you have any Child Support, Student Loans or Federal Garnishments that need to be addressed, or questions, please contact the Per Capita Office at (800) 247-4612 ext. 27725 or (405) 422-7725. All garnishments of Child Support, Student Loans, and/or Federal Garnishments need to be submitted to the Per Capita Office by July 24, 2015.

Master's degree

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ver at 580-745-3190 or Robert Howard at 580-745-2042 in the John Massey School of Business.

According to "Diverse Issues In Higher Education,'' Southeastern ranks sixth in the nation in producing Native American graduates (all disciplines combined) in the Baccalaureate degree category. This is the second year in a row that Southeastern has held this distinction.

Also in the Baccalaureate category and for the fourth consecutive year, Southeastern ranks first in the nation in producing Native American graduates in Engineering Technologies and Engineering — Related Fields (Occupational Safety & Health). The University also ranks number two nationally in graduates in Physical Sciences and Communication, Journalism, and Related Programs (Native American).

In the master's degree rankings, Southeastern is number one for the fifth consecutive year in Engineering Technologies and Engineering-Related Fields (Occupational Safety & Health – Native American).

In addition, Southeastern recently received a $1.1 million (four-year) grant from the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Indian Education. This Native American

Excellence In Education (NAEIE) Early Childhood Teacher Preparation Grant

will partner with the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and the Chickasaw Nation. It will serve 12 Native American Education majors pursuing degrees in Early Childhood and/or Special Education.

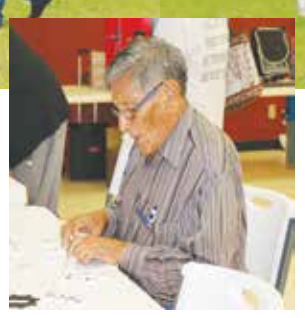
Tribal Tidbits

Economic Development hosted a storm shelter site visit for four families on June 20, 2015.

The families enjoyed a special visit from the Oklahoma City Thunder mascot, Rumble.

The eligible families were able to try out different sizes of storm sehlters by Storm Safe Shelters. Lunch was provided afterwards at Golden Corral.

Applicant, elder, Leah Scott and her daughter Sallie Nieto. Economic Development employee, Charleta Richey and applicant Bernadette Perez-Perkins, Applicant Leah and Carlina Hamilton, Lawrence Pedro and Mason Guzman. Carlina Hamilton checks out one of the many storm shelters.



At the inaugural C&A tribes' 'Hooked on Health: Men's Fitness Day' on Thursday, June 18, tribal men took a break from health screenings and education to enjoy activities like a horseshoe and domino tournament.

To all my Cheyenne and Arapaho people

I, Leonard (Sonny) Goodbear Jr. am donating this painting of a battle all of us can be proud of, hoping it will be placed for all to see when they visit our tribal complex. Although it was a battle that we didn't want, our gathering was our first gathering of nations of trade, dance and visiting of friends.

We can be proud we are all descendants of this tragic battle and the start of our downfall. From the top of our tribal government to our people, to the homeless to all our C&A chiefs, it's something for all to stand proud on this day. Haho,

Cheyenne Chief
Leonard Goodbear Jr.

Red Earth winners

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Junior Girls Combined Categories

1st: Nivy Jane Yarholar (Comanche Arapaho), Moore, OK

2nd: Cuny Wicahpis (Lakota/Dakota), Moore, OK

3rd: AnnMarie Cometsevah (Cheyenne/Seminole/Creek), Weatherford, OK

4th: Delayna Bear (Meskwaki), Shawnee, OK

Teen Girls Cloth/Buckskin

1st: Mali Cooper Youngman (Arapaho/Comanche/Choctaw), Lawton, OK

2nd: Catherine Howell (Comanche), Tecumseh, OK

3rd: Addison Cloud (Cheyenne/Seminole/Creek), Weatherford, OK

4th: Shannon Tapia (Cheyenne), Watonga, OK

Teen Girls Fancy/Jingle

1st: Starrla Sage (Cheyenne-Arapaho/Kiowa), Hammon, OK

2nd: Kyla Sage (Cheyenne-Arapaho/Kiowa), Hammon, OK

3rd: Raven Wallowingbull (Northern Arapaho/Southern Cheyenne), Madison, SD

Adult Women Fancy Shawl/Jingle

1st: Willow Abrahamson (Shoshonie/Bannock), El Reno, OK

2nd: Brittany Yarholar (Cheyenne & Arapaho/Creek), Oklahoma City, OK

3rd: Beatrice Fingernail (Cheyenne), Oklahoma City, OK

4th: Victoria O›Keefe (Seminole/Cherokee), Stillwater, OK

Adult Men Traditional/Grass

1st: John Arkeketa (Otoe-Missouri), Tulsa, OK

2nd: Edmond Nevaquaya (Comanche), Apache, OK

3rd: DJ Yarholar (Arapaho), Moore, OK

4th: Lane Jenson (Navajo/Maricopa), Mesa, AZ

Adult Men Fancy Dance

1st: Cheyenne Pocowatchit (Cheynne/Comanche) Lawton, OK

2nd: Dwight WhiteBuffalo (Cheyenne), Watonga, OK

3rd: Bruce Neconle (Kiowa), Anadarko, OK

4th: Amos Little Crow (Otoe/Ponca), Lawton, OK

Art Competition Award Winners

2015 Red Earth Grand Award Winner (Best of Show)

Jolene Bird (Santo Domingo)

Inlayed Gourd - Diversified Art Form

President's Award

Troy Anderson (Cherokee of NE Alabama) "Raven" - Sculpture

Kathleen Everett Upshaw Award

ANITA
greenwalt

NICK'S
barber shop

1515 Sunset Dr.
El Reno, OK

262-1132

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

Watermelon Salsa

1/4 cup of small watermelon, chopped
1-1/2 mangos, chopped
1/2 poblano pepper, de-seeded and chopped
1/2 red onion, chopped
1/3 of a cilantro bunch, chopped
Juice from 2 limes
Whole wheat chips
Optional, chopped jalapeno

Chop all ingredients and mix well in a bowl. Top with fresh lime juice. Use whole wheaty chips for dipping.

C-A Youth Council heading to Washington D.C.

(CONCHO, OK) The Cheyenne and Arapaho Youth Council members are heading to Washington D.C. for the first Presidential Tribal Youth Gathering July 8-14, 2015.

The Youth Council received a letter congratulating them on their special invitation to President Barak Obama's first youth initiative, which stated in part, *"Congratulations. You are invited to attend the historic White House Tribal Youth Gathering in Washington, D.C. on July 9, 2015 co-sponsored by UNITY, the Department of Justice's Today's Native Leaders program, and the department of Health and Human Services. Thank you for accepting the Gen-I Challenge and organizing a positive event in your community."*

The new 2015-2016 youth council officers include Male National Representative, Elijah Wilson, Female National Representative, Rachelle Roman Nose, Treasurer, Annie Slinkey, Secretary, Zhoonie Sherman, Vice-President, Christian Wassana, Male Co-President, Michael Hall, and Female Co-President, Carmen Sankey.

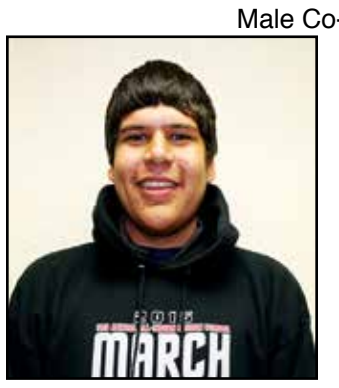
Female Co-President

My name is Carmen Sankey. My Cheyenne name is "Pretty Horses." I am the daughter of Sheldon and Anna Sankey. The granddaughter of Jean WhiteSkunk and Milton Sankey. The great-granddaughter of Mary Elkriver and Edward WhiteSkunk Sr. I am currently a senior at MacArthur High School where I participate in varsity basketball, track and cross country. I am also active in attending powwows and our Cheyenne ceremonies. I am honored to represent our Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Youth Council as female co-president. I feel our council will excel and achieve success this year. Thank you, haho!

Vice President

My name is Christian Wassana. My folks are Reggie Wassana and Teresa Dorsett. I am the vice president of the Tribal Youth Council. I am here to help and do good for our tribal youth.

Male Co-President



My name is Michael Hall. I was re-elected as Youth Council male co-president. I am currently a junior at El Reno High School.

Female National Representative

My name is Rachelle Roman Nose. I'm 16 and attend El Reno High School where I'm a sophomore. I'm the daughter of Edwin "Parry" and Stephanie Roman Nose, granddaughter of Dara Franklin, also Ladonna and Quinton Roman Nose. I'm involved in volleyball and basketball at my school. My values in life are my family and to excel in school work. My position in the youth council is female national representative. I feel like people on the youth council can help change some things and represent our people well.

Secretary

My name Lahta'hozhoon "Zhoonie" Sherman I am the daughter of Alvin and Angelita Sherman. I attend El Reno High School as a sophomore. I am involved in many sports, such as basketball and volleyball. I am the secretary of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Youth Council. They Youth Council will also help me in my future and to further my knowledge. I would like to bring back what I learn to help the younger generation. I appreciate the support we get from the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes.

Treasurer
Arianna Slinkey

Male National Representative
Elijah Wilson

26th Annual Oklahoma Indian Nation Pow-Wow

July 31, August 1 & 2, 2015 ~ Concho, OK

Sr. Miss — Tassandra Tandy
Jr. Miss — Santana Moquino
Little Miss — Bella Kodaseet

Color Guard:	Buddy Bond
Masters of Ceremonies:	Manny King, Max Bear
Head Gourd Dance Singer:	Roger Davis
Head War Dance Singer:	Rick Anquoe
Head Man Gourd Dancer:	Mike Pierson
Head Lady Gourd Dancer:	Karen LittleCoyote
Head Man War Dancer:	Dwight WhiteBuffalo
Head Lady War Dancer:	Chaylene Tochay
Arena Director's:	Chris Sindone, Seth Littleman
Contest Coordinator:	Randy Frazier
Drum Contest Coordinator:	Homer Wassana

Oklahoma Arts Council

National Endowment for the Arts

Elder of the Year
Malcolm Whitebird

Special Guest
2015 Miss Indian Oklahoma
Carmen "Pretty Horses" Sankey

5 K Buffalo Run & Fun Walk
Saturday ~ Registration @ 7:00 a.m.
@ Lucky Star Casino Parking Lot
Run/Walk starts @ 8:00 a.m.
Free Water & Fruit for Participants
Contact Info: (405) 422-7585
Sponsored by the R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program

HONORED FLAGS
Friday
Milton Clarence Sankey
US Army
Saturday
Edgar Lavern Woolworth
US Army
Sunday
Larry Joe McLaughlin
US Navy

Oklahoma Indian Nation Pow-Wow Committee
Chairperson
Dara Franklin (405)361-8945
Vice-Chairman
Frankie Gilbert
Treasurer
Christine Morton (405)476-1134
Secretary
Jessie Botone (405) 420-2052
Public Relations
Fritz PrairieChief
Advisors Patricia Hawk & Bobbi Simpson

Arts & Crafts Booth Space
$35.00 Daily (10 x 10)
$50.00 (Lg. Setup)

ANNUAL SUMMERFEST
Friday, Saturday & Sunday
Concho, Oklahoma
Contact Info:
(405) 422-7585

Sunday Morning Worship Service
Provided by El Reno Indian Baptist Church
11:00 a.m.
OIN Pow-wow Grounds

FOOD VENDORS
$350 ~ Weekend

Security & Law Enforcement Provided
No Drugs or Alcohol Allowed

OIN Pow-Wow Committee & Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes are not responsible for accidents!

OKLAHOMA INDIAN NATION CONTEST CATEGORIES

Tiny Tots *(Must make Friday Grand Entry)*.....Ages 6 & Under
Juniors *(Must make Friday Grand Entry)*.....Ages 7-16
Adults *(Must make 2 Grand Entries)*.....Ages 17-49
Golden Age *(Must make 2 Grand Entries*.....Ages 50 & Over

Saturday & Sunday Afternoon Gourd Dance Sessions will be held at the Concho Community Hall

DANCE SCHEDULE

Friday:	Gourd Dance @ 6:00 p.m. Grand Entry @ 8:00 p.m.
Saturday:	Gourd Dance @ 2:00 p.m. Grand Entry @ 7:00 p.m.
Sunday:	Gourd Dance @ 2:00 p.m. Grand Entry @ 7:00 p.m.

Specials to be held during Afternoon Gourd Dance Sessions only. No Specials after Grand Entry.

OIN Committee would like to thank the following: C & A Tribes, Culture & Heritage Program, Oklahoma Arts Council, Executive Office, Economic Development Program & Workcrew, Legislative Branch, Lucky Star Casino, R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program, El Reno Indian Baptist Church and all the Volunteers who helped make this year's celebration a success. Ha-Ho!

49 Contest
Winner Take All
Saturday Night
Sponsored by OIN Pow-Wow Committee

DRUM CONTEST
~ Saturday & Sunday ~
Sponsored by Lucky Star Casino

Health Fair
Saturday - August 1st
Concho Community Hall
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Sponsored By R.E.Sp.E.C.T. & Dept. of Health Programs

Elder's Prettiest Shawl Contest
Elder's 55 years & up
SUNDAY NIGHT
Sponsored by R.E.S.p.E.C.T. Program

7th Annual Buffalo Chili Cook-Off
Saturday - August 1st @ 10:00 a.m.
1st Place: $200
2nd Place: $100
3rd Place: $75
Location: Willie Fletcher Wellness Center
Buffalo meat will be provided and issued upon registration
Sponsored by Diabetes Wellness Program
Contact: Anna OldBear (405)422-7723

Special "Winner Take All" Contests
2 Consolation Prizes
Saturday: Jr. Girls Cloth/Buckskin
Saturday: Jr. Boys Fancy
Sunday: Women's Cloth
Sunday: Men's Straight Dance
*Schedule subject to change

Junior Girl's Team Dance Contest
Friday Night
1st, 2nd & 3rd Places
In Honor of OIN Junior Princess
Santana Moquino
Sponsored by Family

Lucky Star Casino
CONCHO • CLINTON • CANTON • WATONGA
CONCHO TRAVEL CENTER • HAMMON TRAVEL CENTER

There's No Limit On Luck!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
MEN'S DAY 10AM – 11PM	PLAYER'S CHOICE 10AM – 11PM	PLAYER'S CHOICE 10AM – 11PM; Wild Wheels Wednesdays 6PM – 12AM	Ladies Day 10AM – 11PM	EARLY SPECIAL 2 FOR $10 10AM – 2PM; HOT SEATS: 5PM – 12AM	EARLY SPECIAL 2 FOR $10 10AM – 2PM; HOT SEATS: 5PM – 12AM	55+ Senior's DAY 10AM – 11PM

All American Giveaway!

Classic Cars Giveaway!
Wednesday, July 29th at 9pm at Concho, Clinton and Canton!
Earn entries from July 1st - 29th at Clinton, Concho, Canton and Travel Center locations.
50 Points = One Entry
Win a *'55 Desoto at Concho, '76 Corvette T-top at Clinton* or a *'72 Mustang Convertible at Canton!*
Travel Center entries will go towards Concho location car. Travel Center participants must be present at Concho location the night of drawing.

$1776 Cash Giveaways
Wednesday, July 29th from 7pm to 9pm at Watonga!
Earn entries from July 1st - 29th. 25 points = One entry. $1776 will be given away EVERY HALF HOUR starting at 7pm!

Wild Wheels Wednesdays
RANDOM HOT SEATS from 6PM - 12AM
$176 FREE PLAY will be given away 10 TIMES randomly every Wednesday!

SONIC GAS — Earn 250 points and get your choice of $20 Sonic Gift Card or $20 Gas Card!

See Player's Club for details.

LUCKY 3RD & 4TH FIREWORKS!
A BIG FAMILY EVENT!

CLINTON
JULY 3RD *at* 4PM
East Parking Lot Area
Fireworks, Waterslide, Inflatables, Face Painting, Snow cones and FREE Hotdogs, *PLUS* LIVE MUSIC!

CONCHO
JULY 4TH *at* 4PM
Hotdog/Snow cone stands and food truck vendors on site and for the kids moon bounces and fireworks!

HAPPY 4TH *of July!*
$10 in Free Play for Everyone!
Show Military ID and get $25 in Free Play!
(Must have served or currently serving)
Military offer not valid at Travel Center location.

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